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DETAIL.

On duty from the morning of Friday,
the 7th inst., to the morning of Friday,
the 14th inst.: "A" Co. H.K.V.R.
On duty from the morning of Friday,
the 14th inst., to the morning of Friday,
the 21st inst.: "B" Co. H.K.V.R.

PARADES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 14th INST.

Parade on the Cricket Ground on
Monday, the 10th inst., Wednesday, the
12th inst., and Thursday, the 13th inst.,
at 5.15 p.m. under Drill Instructor Sgt.
Osberry. Dress: drill order.

Signalling Section at Volunteer Headquarters on Monday, the 10th inst.,
Wednesday, the 12th inst., and Friday,
the 14th inst., at 5.15 p.m. Uniform to
be worn.

Machine Gun Section at Wellington
Barracks on Monday, the 10th inst., and
Thursday, the 13th inst., at 5.30 p.m.
under Lieut. Thornhill. Dress: drill
order.

"B" Co. on Tuesday, the 11th inst.
Dress: drill order. Kowloon Park and
Taikeo Sections on the P. Ground at
5.30 p.m. Remount on the road outside
the Law Courts at 5.15 p.m.

"A" Co. on Friday, the 14th inst.,
at 5.15 p.m. on the road outside the Law
Courts. Dress: drill order.

CLASS OF INSTRUCTION.

A class of instruction for N.C.O.'s will
be held on Monday, the 10th inst., and
Thursday, the 13th inst. Parade on the
road outside the Law Courts at 5.15 p.m.
Dress: drill order. Officers will attend.

REVERSION.

Sgt. F. C. M. Hurley reverts to the
ranks at his own request.

DISCIPLINE.

Any member who obtains leave to be
absent from any parade will in future be
required to attend a drill in lieu thereof.
Names will be published in orders.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

A. S. F. (R.)

His Excellency the Governor has been
pleased to appoint Mr. J. W. Franks,
Assistant Supt. of Police (Victoria Canal)
to be Assistant Supt. of Police (Reserve).

ABSENCE FROM POLICE DUTIES.

The Order as to absence from and
unpunctuality in attending Police duty,
applies only to Patrol or such other Police
duty as may be ordered. It does not apply
to Company or Platoon drills, which are
governed by the Leave Regulations.

ABSENCE.

Whenever Mounted, Motor, or Foot
Police Reserves find it necessary to direct
native Regular Police to make an arrest,
they must hand the latter a signed chit to
take to the Station, stating the offence
committed.

NO. 2 COMPANY.

Section Commanders of No. 2 Company
having seen a Rifle drill in drill will warn
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Sinking Fund Account £125,930

£23,970,367

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The Company's Steamship "TAISHAN"

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N.B.—The Company will also run a steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at

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INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED will be held at 5, GORDON'S BUILDING, Chater Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong on MONDAY, the 10th day of April, 1916 at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon when the following Resolution will be passed:

"That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in manner following:—
(a) That after the word 'Company' in the 10th line of Article 110 the following words shall be added:—
"The General Managers may also with the consent of the Consulting Committee pay such bonus or bonuses as the General Managers shall think fit."
(b) That the words "Bonds or Bonuses" shall be inserted immediately after the word "Dividend" in the 18th line of Article 110.
(c) That the words "and bonuses" shall be inserted immediately after the word "Dividend" in the first line of Article 115.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1916.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
General Managers.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 5th April to MONDAY, the 10th April, 1916, both days inclusive.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 27, 1916. 477

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY LIMITED.

THE 27th ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong on MONDAY, the 10th day of April, 1916 at 11.45 A.M. for the purpose of receiving a statement of Account and the report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1915 and declaring a Dividend.
The TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 1st April, to MONDAY, 10th April, 1916, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
Hongkong, March 28, 1916. 483

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE Company desires that owing to the increased cost of materials, it is compelled to make the following alterations in its terms of business:—
The price of gas for all purposes will be raised to \$2.50 per 1,000 cubic feet as from the 1st April.
Hire of cookers, gas-pipes and other cooking and heating apparatus will be continued, but the cost of labour and materials used in fixing these goods will be charged to customers.
The labour and materials used in fixing lighting fittings will also be charged to the customer.

GEORGE CURRY,
Local Secretary.

Hongkong, April 1, 1916. 495

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G. TISDALL,
Manager.

Hongkong, March 30, 1916. 488

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Hongkong, April 3, 1916. 498

NOTICE.

DURING MR. LAURENCE'S absence Mr. F. W. S. EVANS will be in charge of the Hongkong Branch of our Business.
CALDECK, MACGREGOR & Co.
Hongkong, April 3, 1916. 501

NOTICE.

WE have this day admitted Mr. CLIFFORD EDGUMBE a Partner in our Business of Ship, Freight, and Coal Brokers and Commission Agents.
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Hongkong, April 1, 1916. 498

NOTICE.

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BOTELHO BROS.
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SHANGHAI STOCK EXCHANGE.

THE QUESTION OF FORWARD BUSINESS.

The annual meeting of the members of the Shanghai Stock Exchange was held last week at the office on Tangpingnan.

Mr. F. H. Crossley presided and there was a large attendance of members.

Mr. H. B. Ollerenshaw, Secretary, having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—When I last had the honour of addressing you at our Annual Meeting I took the opportunity of expressing satisfaction at our successful issue from the numerous troubles and complications incident upon the outbreak of the War in August 1914. In reviewing the events of the past year I feel I am correctly interpreting your feelings when I once more voice our satisfaction with the general state of affairs, especially with the volume of share business which has passed through this Exchange and with the smooth working of the various new regulations which have come into force this year for the conduct of share business.

I need hardly say that the numerous discussions of previous years on the subject of the regulation of forward business need not I repeat the difficulties we experienced in dealing with rules which would be both equitable and practical. The introduction of a market system, you know, called for various reasons, and was ultimately dropped. It was evident that some other means of regulating forward business must be devised. The closing of the Exchange consequent upon the outbreak of war, and the necessity of business to cash transactions on the reopening of the market gave us an ample opportunity for quietly reconsidering the vexed question of forward contracts. Whilst the subject was under consideration the King's Regulation came into force making compulsory upon British subjects the inclusion of forward contracts of the designated numbers of the shares bought or sold. It became evident that as a British Institution we must amend our rules to make the spirit of this Regulation applicable not only to British members but also to all the non-British members who enjoy the benefits of this Exchange. Accordingly at an Extraordinary Meeting held last June we passed a rule penalizing any member, irrespective of his nationality, who shall be found to have omitted numbers from the forward contracts. Gentlemen, these rules, as I say, have worked smoothly and have to a great degree done away with the malpractices which formerly surrounded forward business. They cannot, however, as I now wish to point out, yet be considered to be absolutely complete and to embrace all the safeguards which those who formulated them had in mind. You may remember that at the time we passed these new rules we were a little uncertain as to whether a penalty would be enforceable under the King's Regulation in the case of a British member who merely negotiated a contract that is to say a contract as a broker—between two outside principals. No doubt many of you thought at the time, and may still think, that numbers need only be quoted in contracts in which one or both of the principals are brokers. I wish, therefore, to advise you that after consulting the British Consul General and taking private legal opinion on the point, we have come to the conclusion that no British member may be concerned in any capacity whatsoever in a forward contract which does not state the numbers of the shares, to make whether his interest in the transaction be that of a Broker or of a Principal. In this connection I may read you the concluding paragraph of a legal opinion which has been given to one of our members:—
"As to your position as in being in a forward contract, which on the face of it is a breach of these particular King's Regulations, we have no doubt at all. Acting as brokers for both buyer and seller you constitute yourselves the Agents for each of the parties and although you are not yourselves parties to a contract, which is a breach of the King's Regulations, you are nevertheless parties to it and have full cognizance of it but actually negotiate and bargain, and thus become aiders and abettors."

It seems to me, therefore, that the wording of our rule concerning this point should be amended to make it more explicit. At present the rule specifies that any member who "enters into" any sale or purchase "without numbers" shall be penalized. In view of the foregoing interpretation of the wording of this rule at present, I would suggest that it be so framed to penalize any member who not only may be a signatory to the contract but who may be concerned in any capacity whatsoever in the making of the contract, whether as a broker or as a principal.

not as a principal. British members are bound by the interpretation of the King's Regulations which I have just given you and naturally as British law cannot be enforced against a non-British member we should at least have power over non-British members by making our own Exchange Rules embody the spirit of the existing British Regulations. This matter is one for the coming Committee to deal with, and I commend it to their careful consideration.

SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS TO CHINA COMPANIES ORDER-IN-COUNCIL.

I now wish to pass on to another important matter concerning the King's Order in Council with respect to Company Management. During the past year your Committee has been in communication with His Majesty's Consul on various points, and certain recommendations have been made which I am happy to think have influenced those responsible for the drafting of the latest King's Regulations. There are, however, certain provisions which your Committee strongly recommended should be added to the China Companies Order in Council of 1915 when it comes to be revised. These suggested amendments relate to the management of British Companies, and stipulate that none but British subjects shall act as Secretaries or Agents of British Companies. The present Order in Council merely requires that the majority of the Directors of a British China Company shall be British subjects. This requirement is admirable as far as it goes, but it certainly does not go far enough. Why leave the intimate management of a British Company in the hands of persons who are not amenable to British law? You are well aware that there are many Companies in Shanghai at present managed by Agents who are not British, and I personally have no desire to disturb these Agencies, but your Committee are unanimous in their efforts to ensure that for the future only Britons shall manage British Companies. Some of you may be of opinion that such subject does not come within the scope of an institution such as ours. I think, however, that as a British public Institution which is concerned almost solely with transactions in the shares of British Companies, it is our duty, especially at this time, to further any measures which may make for the greater security and stability of the law governing British Companies.

Turning from controversial matters, I would like to refer to the absence of one of our members, Mr. Vernon, who is at present serving with the forces. We all wish him the best of luck and we trust that we may soon see him safely back amongst us (hear, hear). We are all looking forward to taking possession of our new quarters which are now almost ready for occupation. They promise to be very comfortable, and I trust that in them we may all experience many successful years. I would like to take this opportunity of thanking you for the two of our members who have generously made very useful gifts for use in the new Exchange, namely, Mr. Benjamin who has presented a fine clock, and Mr. D. M. Gubbay, who has given a handsome barometer. We all appreciate very much these members' generosity. (Applause).

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted on the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. P. Crichton. The committee was requested to bring with the exception of the substitution of Mr. D. M. Gubbay in place of Mr. H. B. Read, who has resigned.

On the motion of the chairman it was agreed to record in the minutes a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Read for his past services.

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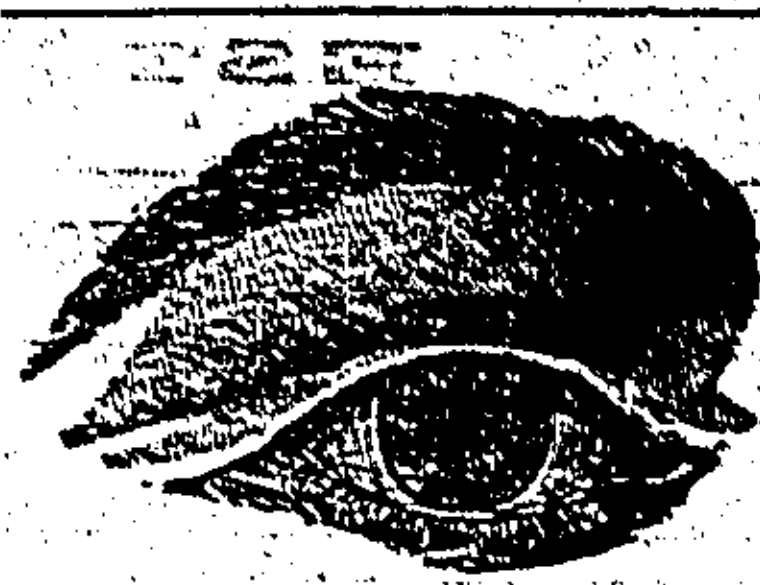
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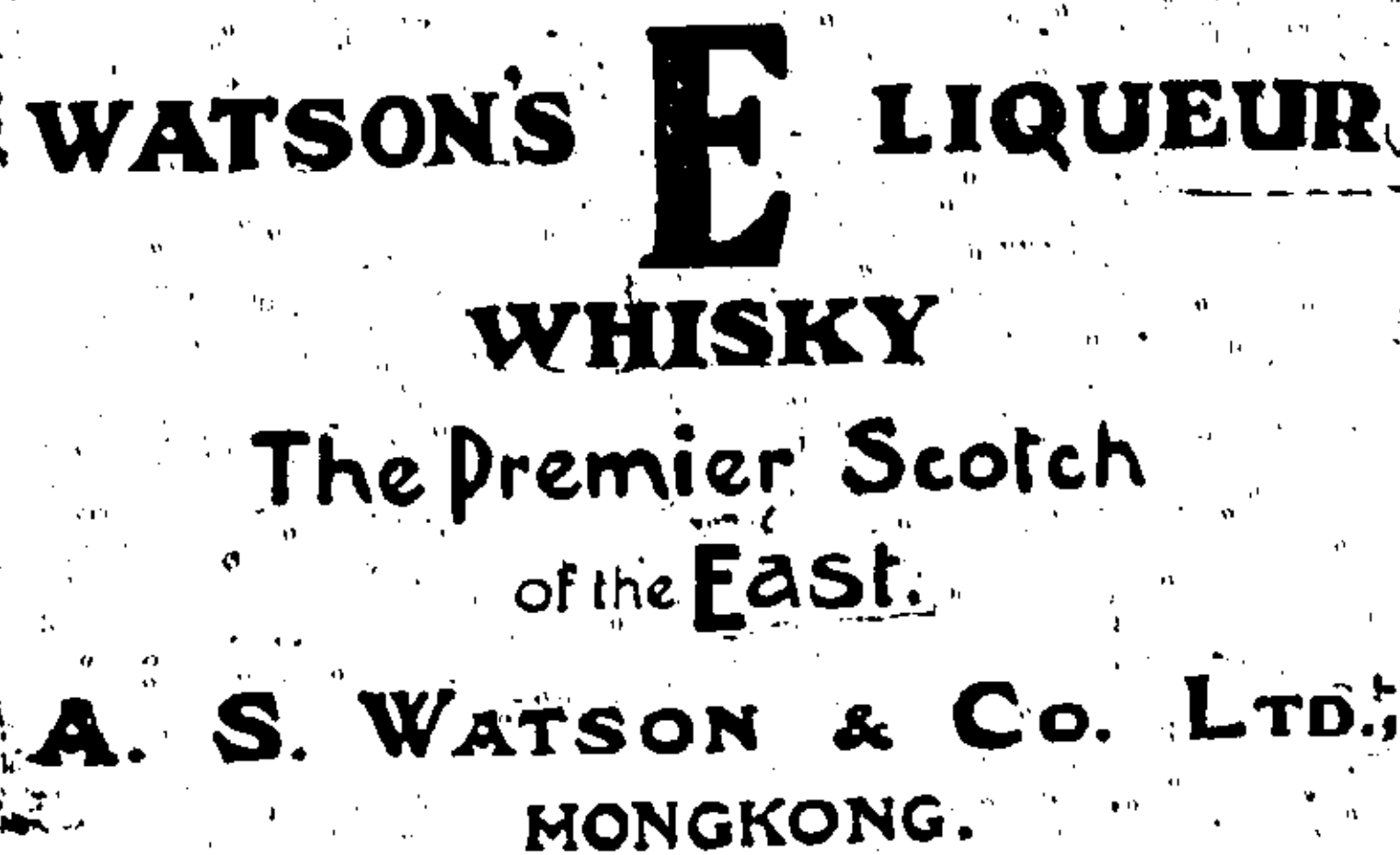
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TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ANOTHER ZEPPELIN ATTACK ON BRITISH COASTS.

LONDON, April 6.
An official announcement states that a Zeppelin attacked the north-east coast at 9.50 last evening, but was driven off by anti-aircraft guns and machine guns. Some bombs were dropped, but no information has been received of any casualties or damage having been inflicted.

LIVER.
A Zeppelin again appeared off the North-eastern coast at 9.45 on Wednesday night.
The night was clear and starlit. Searchlights immediately located the airship and a heavy fire was opened with excellent aim.

The Zeppelin made numerous unsuccessful efforts to avoid the searchlights, but after ten minutes sailed off in a westerly direction after dropping a few bombs.
She was undoubtedly driven off by the guns.

GIFT OF AN AEROPLANE TO NEW ZEALAND-AIRMAN.

WELLINGTON, April 6.
The Minister of Munitions is offering a fund to present an aeroplane to Lieut. Brandon, recently mentioned as having attacked at a height of over 6,000 ft. one of the Zeppelins which raided England.
Lieutenant Brandon is a New Zealander.

GERMAN SUBMARINE SUNK.

PARIS, April 6.
A communiqué states that an Anglo-French submarine on the 4th inst. sank a German submarine.
The officers and crew were captured.

SHIPS SUNK.

LONDON, April 6.
The British steamer *Plan Campbell*, and the Norwegian steamer *Bona* have been sunk. Four of the crew of the last-named ship are missing.

The United States Consul at Cork states that four Americans were on board the *Heraclea*.

ENEMY CIVILIANS INTERNED IN GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, April 6.
Mr. Robert Samuel stated in the House of Commons that there are now 42,449 enemy civilians interned.

GERMAN SCHOLARS AND RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS.

LONDON, April 6.
Reuter's Agency learns that it is hoped to pass this session a private Bill excluding Germans from the Rhodes scholarships and providing Dominion scholarships instead.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

(Wah Tsz Yat Po's Service.)

THE SITUATION IN CHINA.

PEKING, April 6.
Yesterday the President ordered Chu Sai Cheung, Luk Jing Cheung and Tun Ki Shui to report on three questions, namely:—

- (1) If the Southern Army insist on exorbitant demands how to act.
 - (2) If the Southern Army continues hostilities while the Northern Army discontinues hostilities, what steps can be taken.
 - [The third question is missing.]
- A mandate, reprimanding high officials for removing their luggage from Peking.

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THE BUDGET.

THE NEW TAXES.

LONDON, April 6.
Mr. McKenna, Chancellor of the Exchequer, stated in the House of Commons that in order to avoid delay involving the loss of £3,000,000 to the revenue, the new taxes would be embodied in one Finance Bill, and the old taxes in another which might be delayed by discussion of such subjects as the Excess Profits Tax.

Later in the sitting the former bill was introduced.
The morning papers, on more mature consideration do not appear to have altered their general approval of the Budget.

The opinion is expressed that the increase in the taxation of motor-cars above 1,600 h.p. will lead to increased sales of the smaller British cars, in place of the American cars, which mostly come under the new tax.

The Cinema tax alone is expected to produce £15,000 daily.

The new proposals meet with little opposition in Labour circles where the tax on railway tickets alone is questioned. It is understood that efforts are being made to get this tax withdrawn.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE FRENCH FRONT.

FIGHTING FAVOURABLE TO THE FRENCH.

PARIS, April 5.
Today's communiqué states:—
The Verdun fighting continues in favour of the Frenchmen. West of the Meuse, there has been comparative calm while east of the Meuse we have continued to progress northward of Bois de Caillotte.

There has been an intense bombardment in Woëvre. The Germans at St. Mihiel threw twenty-two mines into the Meuse, but they exploded harmlessly against our barrage. There has been grenade and mine fighting in Argonne, to the advantage of the French.

There have been several German attacks in Lorraine after violent artillery preparations, but they were defeated by our machine-guns and artillery.
There have been fifteen air fights at Verdun. Three German machines were killed, but all the French airmen returned safely. Our air squadrons bombed a German station and bivouac in the Verdun region.

PARIS, April 6.
A communiqué states:—There was a bombardment of the German trenches at Steenstraete with good results. There has been artillery activity in Aisne and Argonne.

The day has been calm east of the Meuse. There has been an intermittent cannonade at Douaumont and Vaux, but there has been no infantry action in the Verdun region.

THE BRITISH FRONT.

EFFECTIVE BOMBARDMENT.

LONDON, April 5.
A communiqué states:—Last night we sprang mines near Hulluch and damaged a gallery and wrecked posts which were established in old craters. Today we effectively bombarded a work near Bois Grenier. About 8.30 the artillery has been most active on both sides. Heavy artillery effectively bombarded north of the Ypres and St. Julien road. Much damage was done to hostile trenches and there were numerous explosions.

THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

HEAVY TURKISH LOSSES.

PETROGRAD, April 6.
A communiqué states that on the Black Sea coast the Turks, supported by the cruiser *Brusilov*, attacked the Russian right flank. The Turks were repulsed with heavy losses. The Russians attacked the enemy's centre in the same region and occupied certain positions. The Turks were also dislodged from a series of mountain positions in the upper Chotokh. The ice is breaking on the Dvina. Zeppelins are reported east of Baranovitchi.

AUSTRO-GERMAN OFFENSIVE IN GALICIA REPULED.

An important enemy force took the offensive in Galicia, west of Tarnopol, but they were repulsed with the loss of many being killed.

VIOLENT AUSTRIAN ATTACKS ON ITALIAN FRONT.

REPULED AFTER SANGUINARY FIGHTING.

ROME, April 6.
A communiqué states that there have been the usual artillery activities along the entire front. Violent Austrian attacks at Rauchkofel were bloodily repulsed.
Aircraft attempted to raid Verona, but they were driven back.
A few bombs were dropped at Bassano, and two children were killed.
Raids on the lower Isonzo and Grado were driven back.

ON THE TIGRIS.

OPERATIONS PROCEEDING SATISFACTORILY.

LONDON, April 5.
General Lake reports that at five in the morning the Tigris Corps carried the enemy's entrenched position at Ummelhammar. The operations are proceeding satisfactorily.

LONDON, April 6.
In the House of Lords, Lord Idington, in announcing the publication in the *Gazette* of General Nixon's despatch covering the operations to the end of September, said that a further despatch covering the operations up to the time of General Nixon's retirement was being considered, but as it related to a phase of the operations which was now proceeding the publication at present would not be of any public interest. He paid a warm tribute to the unexampled fortitude of the British and Indian troops.

MONEY ALLOWANCES.

LONDON, April 6.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Horne called attention to the fact that the officers of the Indian Army in Mesopotamia had not received the promised money allowances in lieu of rations for the period before they commenced to receive rations.
Mr. Chamberlain replied that if specific instances were given him he would enquire.

THE ADVANCE TO BAGDAD.

LONDON, April 6.
In the House of Commons Mr. Waldo Astor asked whether the Government, when they authorised the advance to Bagdad, had documentary evidence that General Townshend favoured the advance.
Mr. Chamberlain replied in the negative, adding that the Government's correspondence was conducted with General Nixon.

ITALIAN WAR MINISTER RESIGNS.

ROME, April 6.
It is officially announced that General Zupelli, Minister of War, has resigned in order to go to the front. General Morone succeeds him.

MR. ASQUITH'S MISSION.

PREMIER RETURNS TO LONDON.

ROME, April 5.
Mr. Asquith has returned from the front, receiving an ovation.
In a message to the Italian Press he pays a tribute to the incomparable bravery and tenacity of the magnificent Italian army which is struggling with glory and success against almost insurmountable difficulties. He declares that he is more than ever convinced that a final victory for Italy and the Allies is certain.

LONDON, April 5.
Mr. Asquith has arrived in Paris. He was met at the station by M.M. Briand and Ribot, with whom he conferred on current questions.

LONDON, April 6.
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INTRIGUE IN BULGARIA.

ATHENS, April 6.
Ghena Dieff, the leader of the Stam-bolovists, his brother-in-law, and six others have been arrested at Sofia. It is believed that they are charged with intriguing against the Government.

NEW MEDAL.

LONDON, April 5.
A Royal Warrant institutes a new silver medal entitled: "The Military Medal." It will be awarded to non-commissioned officers and men for individual and associated acts of bravery on the recommendation of the Commander-in-Chief in the field. The inscription on the reverse is: "For bravery in the field."

DUTCH PREPARATIONS.

WHY FURLONGS HAVE BEEN STOPPED.

THE HAGUE, April 6.
There has been a secret sitting of the Second Chamber at which all the Ministers were present.
After the secret sitting of the Second Chamber the Government issued a statement to the effect that the suspension of furloughs in the Army and Navy was a measure of precaution, due to apprehension at the increase of the dangers to which the country was exposed.
The *Telegraph* says that the precautions which the Government are taking are against the concentration of German troops on the Dutch frontier.

BRITAIN'S AIR DEFENCES.

LONDON, April 3.
In the House of Commons, replying to complaints by Mr. Fernberton Billings regarding Great Britain's air-service, Mr. Tennant said that besides the L35 another Zeppelin was hit off the coast. He knew this from a curious copy of a wireless message which was sent by the Commander and which was picked up from the ground. Regarding air defences generally, he said that the defensive machine now established was much larger and wider than was generally known, and there were great hopes that they would be able, in the future, to protect the country in a much more rapid manner than had been possible in the past.

SUBMARINE PIRATES.

MORE VESSELS SUNK.

LONDON, April 6.
The British steamer *Bendow* has been sunk. One of the crew was drowned.
The Spanish steamer *Vigo* has been sunk. The *Vigo* was torpedoed in the Bay of Biscay, and the crew were landed at Gibraltar.
The Dutch schooner *Elzina Helent* has been torpedoed. The crew have been landed. An inquiry will be held.

The Dutch Government have undertaken an examination of the wreck of the *Tibundia*.

SINKING OF THE "PERSIA."

NO GRAVE NEGLIGENCE.

LONDON, April 6.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Runciman said that the Board of Trade were satisfied that there was no grave negligence in the case of the *Persia*.

CONTRABAND OF WAR.

LONDON, April 5.
In the House of Commons Lord Robert Cecil (Minister for Blockade) announced that there would be a further extension of the contraband list very soon.

THE CEYLON RIOTS.

GERMAN INSTIGATION?

LONDON, April 6.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law said that further enquiry into the Ceylon riots would only lead to a recurrence of racial and religious animosity. He was not sure that they were not due to German instigation.

OBITUARY.

FIELD MARSHAL BROWNLOW.

LONDON, April 6.
The death is announced of Field-Marshal Sir C. H. Brownlow, G.C.B., K.C.B.

SIR GERARD LOWTHER.

The death is also announced of the Right Hon. Sir Gerard Lowther, G.C.M.G., K.C.M.G., C.B., P.C., of the Diplomatic Service, who at one time served as Secretary of the Legation in Tokio.

DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.

The report for A. D. 1915, which has just been published, is a very satisfactory one. The Committee are able to announce that "Never has the school been more flourishing. The number of scholars is high; the results of the examinations are excellent, as will be seen from the Headmaster's report; the tone of the school is very good; and the financial position is satisfactory." Mr. W. H. Vivian has left for the war, where two of his brothers are already fighting. The Committee were very sorry to lose his services but felt that the claims of patriotism must not be set aside. A new master, Mr. Luard, is expected to join the staff this month. He comes to us with an excellent record of service in Australia. Mrs. Tuxford's resignation has been accepted with regret by the Committee. During her time as Matron she has rendered splendid service to the school. Mr. E. F. Aucutt, who has for some years filled the post of Hon. Treasurer, with such great advantage to the school, has resigned on account of his approaching furlough, and Mr. A. H. Campion has been elected Hon. Treasurer for the year. "Church Notes."

SICK OF THE WAR.

PROSSIAN OFFICERS DESPAIRING.

A cable to the *Calcutta "Statesman"* states:—
Neutralists arriving in Rotterdam from Berlin report that everyone in Germany is thoroughly sick of the war. Even the Prussian officers state that they do not care who wins, provided the struggle is over soon. Berliners admit that Germany is unable to hold out much longer unless the Allied troops can be driven out of their trenches and defeated in the open field. Apparently the attacks on Fort Douaumont were regarded as a success. Berlin was besieged and a Royal ceremony was held. The Crown Princess and her children driving out into the great Hindenburg statue. The enthusiasm displayed was tremendous.

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EFFECTS OF THE WAR ON NETHERLANDS INDIA.

A survey of Netherlands India commerce for the first eleven months of 1915 states that for the large plantations the year was, on the whole, not unfavourable. Tobacco, sugar, coffee and rubber were doing well, important business in rubber being transacted with Japan and America being transacted with Japan and America. Exports of rice, despite the prohibition of export, exceeded those of 1914, which loans to the belief that the distribution of rice in India has met with no obstacles. For the rest, the report describes the exports in 1915 under this heading as fairly normal. Exports of oil, residues and paraffine, hides, tin and ethereal oils increased considerably, whilst the quantity of lumber leaving the Colonies fell from 29,000 to 18,000 cubic meters.

With the exception of rice, imports of all articles of food, especially of flour, decreased, as a result of the Australian prohibition of export. Imports of raw material were fairly normal, with the exception of sheet copper, paraffine and asphalt. The two latter articles are now being largely produced in Netherlands India itself, whilst Padang has during the past year made a bit in the production of concrete.

There was an enormous falling off in the imports of manufactured goods. This was largely due to the effect of the war on the British, Dutch and German textile industry. Piece goods were similarly situated but in this case the decrease was partly due to the fact of a decrease in the circulation of money amongst the population. Manufactured goods and piece goods being the chief articles of import into the Archipelago, these imports were the worst sufferers by the war. Towards the end of the year the position improved somewhat, as imports from Japan and America began to arrive.—*Gazette de Hollande*.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

The entries for the six events at the Gymkhana to be held on Saturday the 13th inst. are:—

HALF MILE RACE FOR SUBS.

China Coast, Black Diamond Dahlia, Forester, Ploughed Field, Durham Chief, Maseo (Blackbird Dahlia), Blaffer (Garlands) Postlight.

GYMKHANA STAKES.

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To-day's Advertisements.

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE (SPORTS).

THE MEMBERS OF THE ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE ASSOCIATION will be "AT HOME" to Parents of Scholars and Friends of the College, at the Black Curragh, on the occasion of the SECOND ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 8th April, 1916.

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Hon. Secretary.

THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the above Club will be held in the Club House, Happy Valley, on MONDAY, the 17th April, 1916, at 5.30 p.m. for the following purposes:

To receive the Report and Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1915.
To elect the Officers and Committee for 1916.
To transact any other business.

By Order,

T. W. HILL,

Acting Hon. Secretary.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT, MACAO.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that on the 25th April next, at 3 p.m., in the office of the above Department, before the Committee referred to in Article 102 of the Decree of 21st November, 1908, and in the presence of the Director of the Naval Yard and Chief Engineer of the gunboat *Fatima*, public tenders will be received for the supply of coal to be used in the several public establishments of this province during the year 1916. The above tenders to be enclosed in sealed envelopes. The qualities of the coal preferred are as follows:—

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NANKIN	May 19	KARMAHA	June 19	June 26
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[BY SPENCER LEIGH HUGHES, M.P.]

I suppose most people would class sweets among what may be called the frivolities of food. The "sugar-op," as our forefathers used to describe the sugar-plum, or sweetmeat, seems to have been regarded by some as a mere dainty to be given to children or young ladies, no chocolate or given today. Thus in Beaumont and Fletcher there are the lines—
"If 'twere possible I might get a maid
To whom you should I put her? look
upon her."
Dandle her on my knee, and give her
sugar-kisses."

But I am not sure that these sweetmeats were always regarded as luxuries. As Pepys, writing on April 17th, 1660, makes this thoughtful note in his diary: "Our dinner, it being Good Friday, was only sugar-sops and fish: the only time that we have had a Lenten dinner all this Lent." Thus it seems that the sugar-sop or sweetmeat, was included in Lenten fare, and was eaten during a season of abstinence. But somehow or other the notion appears to have prevailed that anything which people really like must be looked on as a luxury, and as there is a natural craving for that which is sweet, the authorities regard sugar as among the non-essentials. Old Roger Ascham puts the matter fairly enough in his "Schoolmaster" when he says:—
"A child will choose a sweetmeat, because it is presently fair and pleasant, and refuse a nut because it is then green, hard and sour."

Here we have the verdict of an unspoiled taste—the "sweetening" being preferred to the sour, green, hard apple. But in these trying days of war we are to munch our "nutlets" and surrender our "sweetings." If I may adopt a dictum, that at one time had a great vogue I can say—sugar is going, jam is threatened, biscuits and sweetmeats will go.

VERY DUTCH REMINDERS.
Very slightly grim and serious people have but little notion as to what a great part is played in our national life by the confectionery trade. When a man smokes one can see and can smell what he is doing. But the confectioner provides means of secret joy. I believe it is the fact that many people soothe themselves with sweets when listening to sermons, and it may be that the lollipop, by inducing folk to hear the word is really a moral factor, and serves at once the causes of sweetness and light. Thus that powerful sweetmeat known as the bullseye, and sometimes called the "dumpling," may be that within us which makes for righteousness. It is surely a pity that an honest product of the confectioner's art should bear so suspicious a name as "humbly," and a day or two ago I saw with pleasure that a shopkeeper in London had boldly tackled this incongruity by displaying this mainly notice in his window. "We will genuine British humbly! Who can tell what a beneficial effect the secret-sucked sweetmeat has on nerves, and therefore on temper, in these lacerating days? As a nation we may owe more than we know to the lollipop. I know one very distinguished man, whose name nothing will induce me to reveal, who has during our recent troubles sucked toffee on the Treasury Bench, and he has admitted to me that it has done him good in body, mind and temper. As I have said, his hideous secret is safe in my keeping. He has done nothing wrong, but there are cross-grained critics who would pillory a Minister for eating toffee at a time of national crisis, and would compare his conduct with that of Nero when Rome was burning.

And then, as I have already said, "jam is threatened," and jam has played a great and honourable part not only in our national history generally, but particularly in the Army. It has helped to

soothe and sustain the British soldier not only in this war, but also in others in all parts of the world. I am not one of the grumblers who say that whatever the Government does is wrong. Nay, I feel sure that this interference with sugar-sweetmeats and jam has not been undertaken with a light heart. My right hon. friend on the Treasury Bench, who has a sweet tooth and a wholesome appetite for honest toffee, would I know, stand out for non-interference as long as he could. But, while I admit that the Government has yielded only to a sense of duty, I do hope that in the matter of jam, whatever hardships may have to be inflicted on us at home, the authorities will see that Mr. Thomas Atkins is still supplied with all the jam he wants. This is one way of shortening the war, and I think that jam made for the troops should be recognised as munitions.

THE KITCHEN KITCHEN.

Stern moralists may say that there is no virtue in cheerfully enduring hardship by the conscientious that those whom we dislike are having a worse time than we are having. But, owing to the undoubted fact that there is a good deal of human nature in mankind, I have no doubt that many of us will accept a reduction in sugar and jam and sweet things generally with all the more equanimity because we know that the Germans are crying out, and crying out in vain, for fat. In normal times our national heart would have been touched by the announcement that a lady occupying a leading position in Berlin society has been delivering an address to the bowered housewives there on "The Fatless Kitchen"—a moving title! When we remember all that fat is—or rather all that fat was—in the German household we may form some idea of the ferocious condition of the enemy in his home now that fat is not only threatened, and going, but has actually gone. The lady lecturer seems to have told her despairing hearers that they should imagine they have fat, they should indulge in make-believe fat, and all would be well. This is almost as cruel as telling them to wish they may get it. These who have seen (and heard) a German devouring his food must be aware that with him fat is real, fat is earnest, fat is not an empty dream. And so, if for a time we have to enjoy less sugar, to abandon the future lollipop and go with the soothing toffee or sustainer jam, we may find consolation in knowing that the German housewife is crying out, "Give us fat." I do not say that this should console us—but I think it will. "Daily Chronicle."

"FAMINE" IN BEER BOTTLES.

BREWERS UNABLE TO EXECUTE ORDERS.

At the Wandsworth Licensing Sessions, George Goodman, holding an office not at 84, Broadwood road, Wandsworth, asked the bench recently to remove the restriction to sell in bottles only.
Mr. S. Lamb, who supported the application, said it was made simply because of the great hardship he was suffering through the great scarcity of beer bottles owing to the war. The brewers now demanded that he should pay for the bottles at the rate of about 3s. 6d. a dozen, or else return the old ones, when beer would be supplied. He was accordingly compelled to charge his customers, who he said, "they resented, and the result was that whereas before the war he had sold 2,540 bottles of beer in a week, his sale was now only 1,750 bottles a week. The brewers demanded as many empty bottles as he wanted full ones, and he had not got them, they took the beer back. Through this he had no beer at all for his customers last Christmas.
Mr. D. C. Cambridge, bottling manager to Barclay, Perkins, and Co., said the shortage in bottles was due to the stoppage of the supply from Germany and Austria and English firms being taken over by the Government. They were compelled now to charge 36s. per gross for the bottles alone, and some brewers had raised the price to 48s. per gross. Owing to the shortage he had to send out 200 telegrams to customers stating that they regretted they could not execute the orders.
The application was refused.

STRAITS RUBBER COMPANIES.

SHARE QUOTATIONS.

SINGAPORE, March 27th.

STERLING SHARES.

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